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Patent Application of:

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For: LOW DENSITY  
LIPOPROTEIN/FIBRINOGEN ADSORBENT  
AND ADSORPTION APPARATUS  
CAPABLE OF WHOLE BLOOD  
TREATMENT

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Examiner: M.E. Christian

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MS AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In reply to the Office Action dated December 9, 2009, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

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